

I am writing this to express my grave concern for residents of Gbagyi Villa, Kaduna State. Their houses are threatened of demolition and at least five thousand people are at risk of becoming homeless.

I call on you to immediately stop the planned forced eviction of residents of Gbagyi Villa and allow the court process to run its course.

I also urge you, that in line with Nigeria's international human rights obligations, to ensure that even where an eviction is justified, it is carried out only after appropriate safeguards against forced evictions including genuine consultation, adequate notice; adequate compensation and alternative housing for those who cannot afford to provide for themselves, have been put in place.

Thank you for your prompt attention to the above.

Sincerely yours,